

RESOLUTION NO. 283-08

BY: **ROY J. JECH**  
(By Request – Mayor)

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE  
CUYAHOGA COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY'S  
BALLOT ISSUE, ISSUE 127, ON THE  
NOVEMBER 4, 2008, BALLOT, AND  
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, Cuyahoga County Public Library will ask residents to approve Issue 127 on the November 4, 2008, ballot which will replace two mills and add a half mill; and,

WHEREAS, Issue 127 is Cuyahoga County Public Library's only local operating support and accounts for nearly half of the Library's annual operating budget; and,

WHEREAS, Cuyahoga County Public Library is a critical regional resource, with a half million cardholders who visited a branch 7.2 million times last year; and,

WHEREAS, Cuyahoga County Public Library is ranked the nation's Number One Library of its size based on service, accountability, and value to the community, and is the fifth busiest library in the nation circulating over 16 million items annually; and,

WHEREAS, Issue 127 will protect Cuyahoga County Public Library, which serves 47 communities in Cuyahoga County through 28 branches; and,

WHEREAS, effective libraries enrich the lives of individuals, provide critical information for students and organizations, and create meaningful access to modern technology; and,

WHEREAS, Issue 127 has received the broad support of elected officials, business leaders, organized labor, and many others across the County; and,

WHEREAS, Issue 127 will provide essential resources for keeping our County Library strong, up-to-date and able to provide excellent service in our community, including: providing up-to-date books, research and reference sources, magazines, CDs, DVDs and other materials residents need, stabilizing its capital needs to ensure continued excellent service delivery, continuing educational programs and activities for children, teens and families, and serving seniors through informational programs on health and provide computer instruction, and life-long learning events; and,

WHEREAS, Issue 127 provides crucial support for one of the most important community assets in the region, and if Issue 127 fails, the Library will be unable to provide the critical library services that local citizens need;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARMA, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That this Council hereby supports the Cuyahoga County Public Library's Issue, Issue 127, on the November 4, 2008, ballot.

Section 2. That the Clerk of Council be, and he hereby is, directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the Cuyahoga County Public Library Administrative Office.

Section 3. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 4. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the City of Parma, and for the further reason that this measure is necessary in order to express support of this levy in advance of the upcoming General Election, and this Resolution shall become immediately effective upon receiving the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council and approval of the Mayor, otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: \_\_\_\_\_  
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
CLERK OF COUNCIL

FILED WITH  
THE MAYOR: \_\_\_\_\_  
MAYOR, CITY OF PARMA, OHIO